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ALLOCATION OF AGENDA ITEMS TO THE FIRST COMMITTEE

Letter dated 24 September 1993 from the President of the General Assembly addressed to the Chairman of the First Committee

I have the honour to transmit to you herewith the decisions taken by the General Assembly at the 3rd plenary meeting of its forty-eighth session pertaining to the allocation of items to the First Committee.

May I also invite your attention to the recommendations on the organization of the session contained in section II of the report of the General Committee (A/48/250) as well as to the recommendation concerning the agenda of the Main Committees contained in section IV (para. 39) of that report. Those recommendations were also approved by the General Assembly at its 3rd plenary meeting. I earnestly request your cooperation in this regard.

(Signed) Samuel R. INSANALLY

Annex

ALLOCATION OF ITEMS TO THE FIRST COMMITTEE

1. Prohibition of the development and manufacture of new types of weapons of mass destruction and new systems of such weapons: report of the Conference on Disarmament (item 57).

2. Reduction of military budgets (item 58):

   (a) Reduction of military budgets;

   (b) Transparency of military expenditures.

3. Compliance with arms limitation and disarmament agreements (item 59).

4. Education and information for disarmament (item 60).

5. Chemical and bacteriological (biological) weapons (item 61).

6. Scientific and technological developments and their impact on international security (item 62).

7. The role of science and technology in the context of international security, disarmament and other related fields (item 63).

8. Verification in all its aspects, including the role of the United Nations in the field of verification (item 64).

9. Amendment of the Treaty Banning Nuclear Weapon Tests in the Atmosphere, in Outer Space and under Water (item 65).

10. Comprehensive nuclear-test-ban treaty (item 66).

11. Establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in the region of the Middle East (item 67).

12. Establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in South Asia (item 68).

13. Conclusion of effective international arrangements to assure non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons (item 69).

14. Prevention of an arms race in outer space (item 70).

15. General and complete disarmament (item 71):

[The General Assembly decided that the relevant paragraphs of the annual report of the International Atomic Energy Agency (A/48/341), which is to be considered directly in plenary meeting under item 14, should be drawn to the attention of the First Committee in connection with its consideration of item 71.]

(a) Notification of nuclear tests;

(b) Prohibition of the development, production, stockpiling and use of radiological weapons;

(c) Prohibition of the production of fissionable material for weapons purposes;

(d) Prohibition of the dumping of radioactive wastes;

(e) Relationship between disarmament and development;

(f) Regional disarmament;

(g) Transparency in armaments;

(h) International arms transfers;

(i) Conventional disarmament on a regional scale.

16. Review and implementation of the Concluding Document of the Twelfth Special Session of the General Assembly (item 72):

(a) United Nations disarmament fellowship, training and advisory services programme;

(b) Convention on the Prohibition of the Use of Nuclear Weapons;

(c) United Nations Disarmament Information Programme;

(d) Nuclear-arms freeze;

(e) Regional confidence-building measures;

(f) United Nations Regional Centre for Peace and Disarmament in Africa, United Nations Regional Centre for Peace and Disarmament in Asia and the Pacific and United Nations Regional Centre for Peace, Disarmament and Development in Latin America and the Caribbean.

17. Review of the implementation of the recommendations and decisions adopted by the General Assembly at its tenth special session (item 73):

(a) Report of the Disarmament Commission;

(b) Report of the Conference on Disarmament;

(c) Status of multilateral disarmament agreements;

(d) Advisory Board on Disarmament Matters;

(e) United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research.

18. Israeli nuclear armament (item 74).

19. Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons Which May Be Deemed to Be Excessively Injurious or to Have Indiscriminate Effects (item 75).

20. Question of Antarctica (item 76).

21. Strengthening of security and cooperation in the Mediterranean region (item 77).

22. Implementation of the Declaration of the Indian Ocean as a Zone of Peace (item 78).

23. Review of the implementation of the Declaration on the Strengthening of International Security (item 79).

24. Maintenance of international security (item 80).

25. Consolidation of the regime established by the Treaty for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America and the Caribbean (Treaty of Tlatelolco) (item 81).

26. Implementation of the Declaration on the Denuclearization of Africa (item 82).

27. Rationalization of the work and reform of the agenda of the First Committee (item 156).